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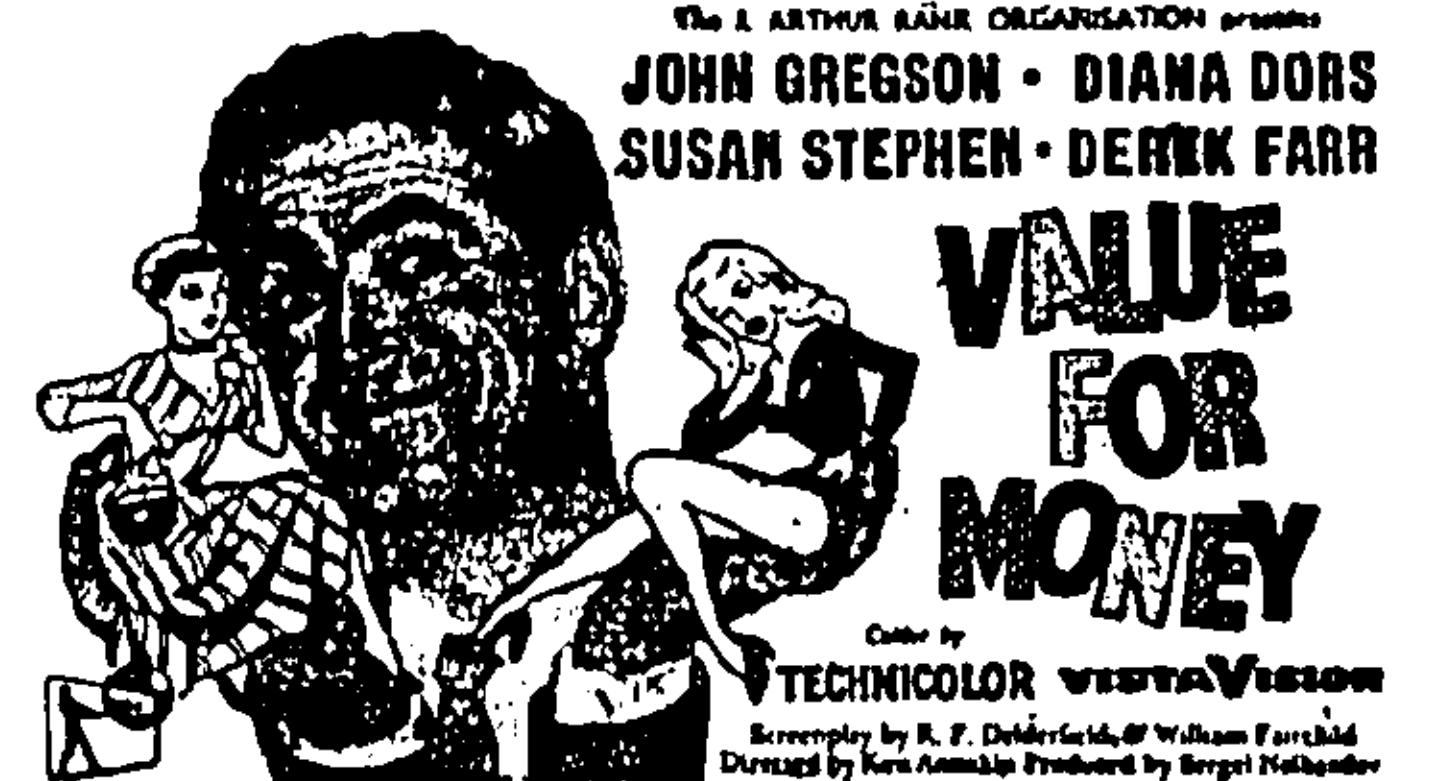
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ITALIAN REDS PLAN COMEBACK IN JUNE

Rome, Feb. 28.

Italy's powerful Communist Party was busy laying plans today for a major comeback in local elections tentatively set for June.

The biggest Communist Party outside the Iron Curtain was soundly defeated at the polls by the late Premier Alcide de Gasperi in 1948. Since then it has found the road back to real power arduous and long.

STEVENSON ATTACKS DULLES



Adlai Stevenson

New York, Feb. 28.
Mr. Adlai Stevenson, leading aspirant for the Democratic Party's nomination for the presidency, today strongly attacked the foreign policy of Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

Speaking at a press conference in New York, Stevenson said: "I pray that our government is not as misled and confused as it appears to be."

He said that last Friday's statement by the Secretary of State that the new Russian economic and political challenge was a sign of "weakness" had amazed the whole world.

On Sunday, Mr. Dulles appeared to have reversed himself and described the Soviet challenge as "a threat for which we need more money."

On the question of arms shipments for the Middle East, Mr. Stevenson said: "Last week he had the off-again, on-again incidents of tanks for Saudi Arabia."—France Press.

UNIVERSITY REGISTRAR RESIGNING

Singapore, Feb. 28.
The Registrar of the University of Malaya, Mr. M. Brown, said here today that he intended to resign at the end of this year.

His disclosure of his intention to resign came only 24 hours after reports that the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Sydney Calne, wanted to resign.

Mr. Brown, an Australian, declined to give reasons for leaving the University.

"I don't know whether or not I shall return to Australia. I haven't any plans," he said.—Reuter.

But there were many signs the wind was blowing its way. Yesterday the Catholic "Civic Committee" which greatly helped de Gasperi in his 1948 victory warned that the Communists and their Socialist allies were looking to the local elections "to change the course of Italian politics."

The warning found an echo in the hearts of many of the nation's most powerful anti-Communist factions.

Reasonably Secure

For the immediate present silver-haired Premier Antonio Segni and his centre party coalition appeared reasonably secure. On the eve of President Giovanni Gronchi's departure for the US on Sunday Segni won a solid vote of confidence on a programme rejecting neutralism and a shift to the left in Italy.

Christian Democrats, Democratic Socialists, Liberals and Republicans of the coalition appeared more solidly knit than at any time since the 1953 parliamentary elections robbed them of a solid majority. There was no immediate sign of the disaffection that forced Premier Mario Scelba to resign last June 22.

But these main factors pointed to danger ahead and the likelihood of Red gains in the administrative elections tentatively set for June 3.

★ 1. A projected new electoral law providing for proportional representation in all towns of more than 10,000 population was bound to work against the Christian Democrats.

★ 2. The Christian Democrats' pressure from all sides, agreed to start debate on the new law this week.

Kremlin-Inspired

★ 3. Pressure for an "opening to the left" in the government was gaining ground steadily. Even President Gronchi favours including the fellow-travelling Socialists of Pietro Nenni in the Government if they can be persuaded to break their "unity of action" pact with the Communists.

★ 4. The Christian Democrats' electoral loss for failure to bring about substantial improvement in the living conditions of Italy's poverty-stricken millions.

★ 5. The Kremlin-inspired peace offensive has diminished popular fear of the Communist threat. It has encouraged neutralist tendencies and helped the leftist plea for a foot in the government door.

Foster Leftists

These and other factors caused the Communists and Socialists to look for major gains in the local elections. Even in the last local elections of 1951 and 1952 they polled just short of the Christian Democrat popular vote.

Wide Communist-Socialist gains in administrative elections would not necessarily endanger Segni's pro-Western government immediately. But they would foster the leftist trend and could overshadow major Communist gains in the next parliamentary elections which are due in June 1958.—United Press.



Pictured after their wedding last week in the Jordan Embassy, London, are Miss Joan Lachlan, a nurse at the Royal National Nose, Throat and Ear Hospital, and Major Edeaslam Majall, the only nose, throat and ear specialist in the Arab Legion. The couple will live in Amman, where Major Majall works in the Arab Legion Hospital.—Express Photo.

US MAINTAINING GOA NEUTRALITY

Washington, Feb. 28.

Diplomatic authorities said that Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' press conference reference today to the possibility of some modifications in American policy toward India did not have any specific application to the Goa dispute.

They said Mr. Dulles had no intention of abandoning the US position of strict neutrality on this question, in which the American official had expressed the hope for a peaceful solution.

COLOMBO MAYOR DISMISSED

Colombo, Feb. 28.

The Trotskyite Mayor of Colombo, Dr. N. M. Perera, today was voted out of office by a right-wing group in Colombo's Municipal Council.

The vote was 10 to 14, with one abstention.

Dr. Perera, the leader of the Trotskyite party of Ceylon, Lanka Sama Samaja, became Mayor 18 months ago when leftist parties emerged from municipal elections with a majority of one in the 31-member council.

The balance of power in the council was tilted to the right a few months ago by a walk-over from Communist ranks.

A right-wing nominee is expected to succeed Dr. Perera.—Reuter.

AGA KHAN IMPROVING

Cannes, Feb. 28.
The Aga Khan today continued to make a good recovery after his recent heart trouble and arthritis.

After going for a drive in the afternoon he spent the rest of the day working on his correspondence with his secretary at the villa Yakkimour here.

His condition was described as satisfactory.—China Mail Special.

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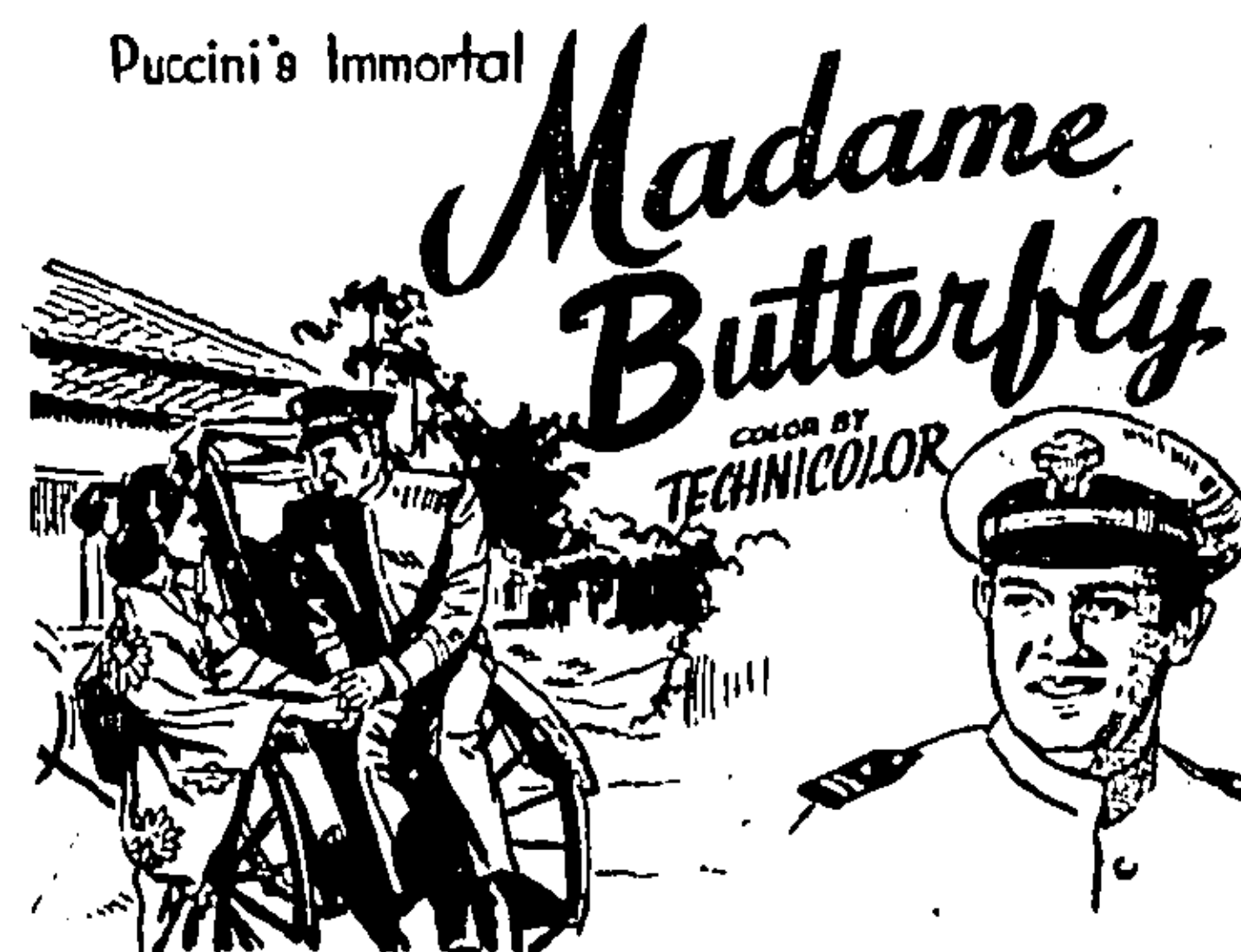
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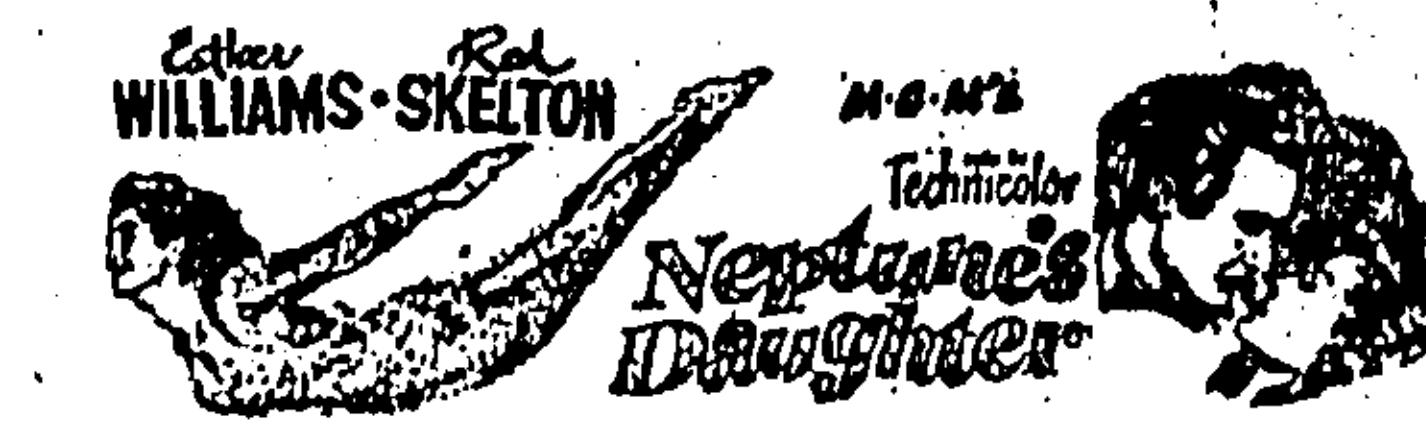
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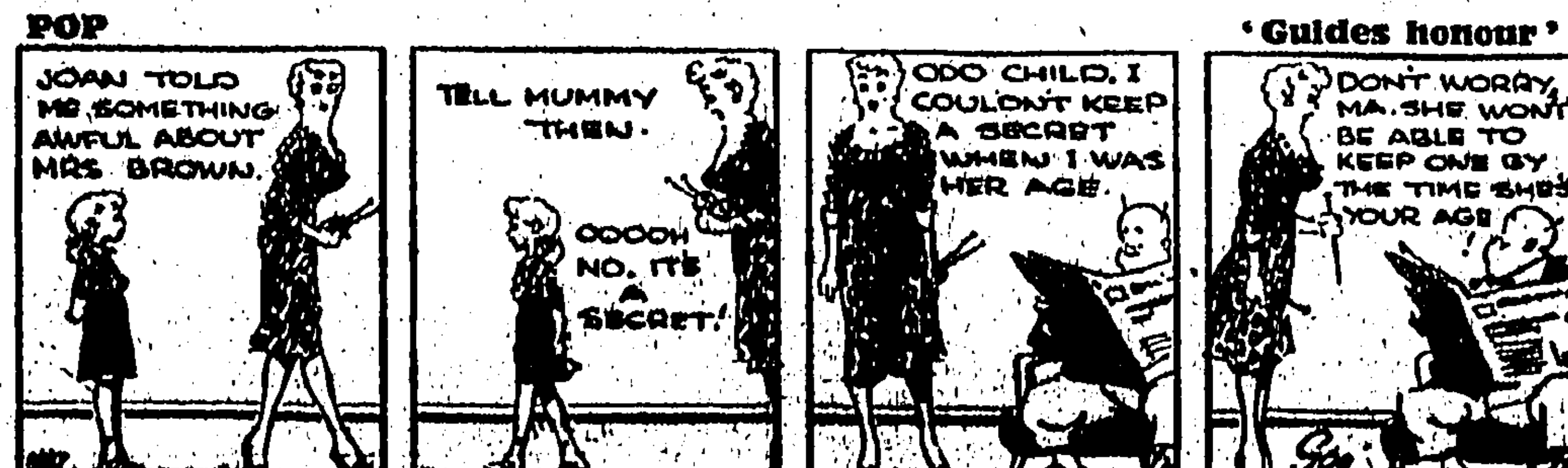


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Baby's First Bed—A Cigar-Box

Berlin, Feb. 28.
Frau Katharina Friedrich of Berlin, celebrates two birthdays regularly each year—her real, and her "official" one.

She was born on January 18, 1888, in Vienna, but was so small and delicate that she was not expected to live. A bed was made for her in a cigar-box.

Only on February 1 were her parents sufficiently encouraged by her progress to consider it worth while registering her as "just born."—China Mail Special.



French Forces Intensify Attacks On

Rebels

Constantine, Feb. 28.

French security forces have stepped up their drive against Algerian rebels in the Constantine region within the last 24 hours, killing some 19 rebels.

Security forces and rebel bands clashed three times near Akbou, east of Constantine, resulting in the death of 11 rebels. Two rebels were captured.

Two rebels were killed near

Sid Meirich and a third at Kroubs.

An outlaw was shot and killed by a farm guard near La Cille and another was killed near Gumbetta.

French fighter planes took to the air to harass the rebels in the Djebel El Abiod valleys, killing one rebel.

Telephones Cut

One rebel was killed and another wounded in operations around Tizi Mourhis.

Rebels today cut off all telephone and telegraph communication in the Constantine and Bone Departments of Algeria.

The outlaws cut underground cables as well as overhead wires to isolate the two regions—France-Press.

Supplies For Antarctic Expedition

San Francisco, Feb. 28. Several top scientists of the US Air Force returned on Monday from Antarctica where they laid the groundwork for establishment of a scientific station within 300 miles of the South Pole next autumn.

Giant Globemaster cargo planes will be used to parachute 455 tons of prefabricated housing and equipment into the ice pack for US scientists participating in the seven-nation observance of the International Geophysical Year in Antarctica. The heaviest piece of equipment to be dropped will be a 10,000-pound, stripped-down caterpillar tractor. It will be lowered by a cluster of three parachutes, each 100 feet in diameter, or four times the size of a man's chute—United Press.

Edinburgh, Feb. 28. Britain's commercial television service, at present operating in southern England and the Midlands, hopes to open up in Scotland early next year, Sir Robert Fraser, the Director-General, said here tonight—China Mail Special.

POACHERS TRAPPED

Wellington, Feb. 28. A warden, outwitted three times in one day by poachers who relied on an efficient lookout system, trapped them in the end by radio.

He borrowed three walkie-talkie radio sets and, with the aid of two colleagues, evaded the lookouts to catch six poachers hard at work spearing fish in a Taupo stream—China Mail Special.

Strangulation In The Pentagon

Washington, Feb. 28.

THE Air Force Magazine charged today that aircraft research was "being strangled in the plush front offices of the Pentagon."

The magazine, unofficial publication of the Air Force Association, said "the nub" of the research problem was the defence Department's "system of interlocking committees, of endless reviews, of watchdogs and counter-watchdogs."

"It is a system which places a premium on foot-dragging and on the ability to find some small thing wrong with a major programme," said the magazine. "It is a system which heavily penalises imagination and ingenuity."

"It is a system which places 2,800 persons on the Department of Defence level in a position to say no, leaving only a handful who can say yes with finality, and no one at all who ever says do more, do it faster."

Saves Money

Air Force said the system "saves us money in any given year, perhaps it may well cost us larger sums in the long run — and cost us even more than money."

The magazine said the Defence Department contended that there were limits to how much research could be done because of a shortage of scientists and a limit to fruitful research projects.

The magazine called the idea of a shortage of scientists and engineers for national defence "a myth."

And it said the Pentagon's "system" itself and "tight fiscal ceilings" forced the Air Force to concentrate its research on "relatively few high-priority projects"—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Snare (4)
- 7 Child (6)
- 8 Way out (4)
- 9 Aspiration (4)
- 10 Comfort (7)
- 12 Equine gait (4)
- 13 Poles (3)
- 14 Far-Eastern country (4)
- 15 Quilted (6)
- 17 Angler's basket (5)
- 21 Slope (4)
- 22 Look (4)
- 23 Teat (4)
- 24 Mean (7)
- 26 Part (4)
- 27 Rescue (4)
- 32 Undomated (5)
- 33 Beverage (4)

DOWN

- 1 Military rank (5)
- 2 Golf club (7)
- 4 Monarch (5)
- 5 Sausy (4)
- 6 Yugoslav President (4)
- 8 Bang (4)
- 11 Precious stones (5)
- 13 Harvest (4)
- 14 Fastened (4)
- 16 Lean (5)
- 17 Bleahish (4)
- 18 Observed (4)
- 19 Shade of green (7)
- 20 Talk wildly (4)
- 22 Claw (5)
- 24 Once more (5)
- 27 Teat (colloq) (4)
- 28 Dejected (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across—1 Rumpus, 7 Team, 9 Allen, 10 Rooms, 11 Gist, 13 Manservant, 14 Asia, 16 Nine, 19 Alteration, 22 Omit, 24 Event, 25 Aston, 26 Scat, 27 Rested. Down—2 Union, 3 Fence, 4 Strove, 5 Stagnant, 6 Less, 8 Emit, 12 Train, 13 Mango, 14 Sooty, 17 Nerve, 18 Pastor, 20 Amaze, 21 Issue, 23 Meet.

QUEEN ELIZABETH AT GUILDHALL

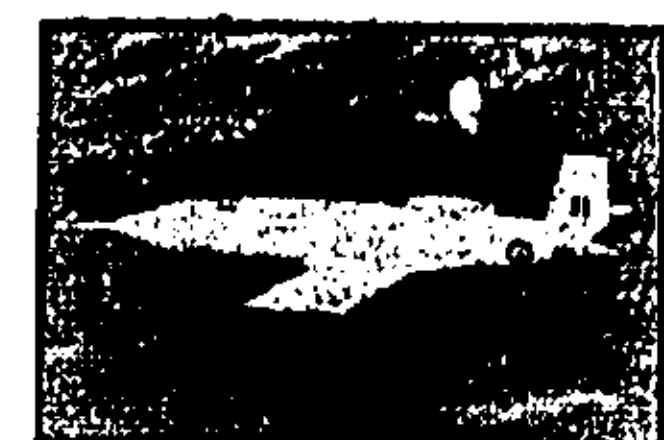


PILOTLESS AIRCRAFT EARNS DOLLARS

Melbourne, Feb. 28.

A small Australian-designed pilot-less jet aircraft has become a major dollar earner and soon may be zooming across the skies of other Western countries at speeds approaching 600 miles an hour.

It is called the Jindivik—an aboriginal word for a sheath in which the aborigine carries his weapons. In the past few months, it has become recognised by many air experts as the most useful target aircraft, under command guidance, available to Western democracies.



The Jindivik

AMERICA'S NAVAL BUILDUP

Washington, Feb. 28.

Adm. Arleigh A. Burke, Chief of Naval Operations, said today he is not sure the United States is "moving fast enough" to stay ahead of Russia in naval supremacy.

But he said in testimony prepared for the Senate Armed Services Committee that "We believe that with a lot of hard work and enthusiasm, we can and will stay ahead."

He called Russia's naval buildup "the most significant development in the Soviet grand strategy since World War II."

Great Effort

"The Soviet Union," he said, "is exerting a great effort to build up the power to deny the seas to us in time of war. . . . Technologies available to us are also available to the Soviet Union."

To keep abreast or ahead, he said, the US Navy must have "modern ships and aircraft geared to this technical age." To achieve it, he said, "we are adapting new weapons and techniques to naval use as rapidly as we can"—United Press.

Negro Leader Arrested

Florence, S. C., Feb. 28.

Clarence Mitchell, Washington Bureau Director of the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People, was arrested here last night when he entered the Florence railroad station, police reported today.

NAACP headquarters in Washington quoted Mitchell as saying he was arrested for attempting to enter the front door at the station. A police spokesman here said, "I don't know about that. There are two front doors and two back doors to the station."

Police Chief J. A. Price was out of town until late today and the spokesman said all he knew about the case was that Mitchell was charged with "violation of Section 417, failure to obey an officer acting in discharge of his duty."—United Press.

Imprisonment For Sudan Demonstrators

Khartoum, Feb. 28.

Nine Sudanese, including the president and secretary of the Sudan Gezira Cotton Scheme Tenants' Association, were sentenced to six months imprisonment today for leading an unlawful demonstration.

Five others were sentenced at Wad Medani, capital of the Blue Nile province, to two months imprisonment. The Gezira Tenants' Association is the biggest farmers' union in the Sudan.

Demonstrations were banned following the death by asphyxiation of 192 of 280 tenant farmers held in a room at Kosti barracks, in the Blue Nile province.

Swedish Interest

This would provide Australia with more than \$1,000,000, apart from the undisclosed price paid for the licence and regular payments for "technical information" based on the number produced in the United States.

Sweden also is reported to be interested in the Jindivik, and may order several Australian-manufactured aeroplanes.

A Swedish military mission which made a secret visit to Australia late last year saw the Jindivik in production in Melbourne, and also in operation at the Woomera rocket range.

No official announcement has been made concerning Sweden's intentions, but the usually well-informed air correspondent of the Melbourne Herald said that the mission told Australian air force officers that the Jindivik was better than similar aircraft produced in the United States—and cheaper.

The Jindivik's selling price is understood to be about £A18,000 (£14,400 sterling).

The strict security blackout on the Jindivik's performance was partially lifted recently, revealing an aircraft in the 500-600 miles an hour class.

50,000 Feet

It has an excellent performance up to, and possibly beyond, 50,000 feet, and an endurance of between one and 1½ hours.

The Jindivik has a sea level rate of climb of 8,000 feet and can reach an altitude of 50,000 feet in 10 minutes. It also has great manoeuvrability at high altitudes—China Mail Special.

Queen Elizabeth last Wednesday attended a State lunch at the Guildhall, London, to mark her return from her State visit to Nigeria. Hosts were the Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Cuthbert Ackroyd, and the City Corporation. In her speech at the lunch the Queen referred to "many colourful memories of our visit," adding: "In the three weeks we have spent in Nigeria we have seen enough to take away a conviction that the future is full of promise and that its people's memory of whose warm-hearted welcome will always be with us — are steadily working their way forward."

The Queen is pictured at the luncheon, with other guests, including the Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Margaret, Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, Prime Minister Eden and Sir Winston Churchill. —Express Photo.

JAMAICAN HEAD OF OXFORD UNION

Oxford, Feb. 28.

A JAMAICAN negro, Roy A. Dickson, takes over the presidency in a fortnight of Oxford University's most important and influential student post — head of the Oxford Union.

Union members are specially noted for their debating skill and often make their way into politics or diplomacy after graduation. Many Union presidents have had brilliant political careers.

Mr. Dickson, the son of an accountant from Kingston, is in his fourth year at Oxford on a Rhodes scholarship. He is reading and doing research in economics. His uncle, Mr. William Dickson, is a member of Parliament in Jamaica.

Respected

Mr. Dickson said today that he will not be the first negro president the Union has had. He recalled that during the last war, Mr. Cameron Tudu of Barbados filled the post, one which assures a student that he is both popular and respected.

He said there was, "hardly any" racial discrimination in Oxford, and that "one doesn't go around in fear and trepidation."

He added that he had read the newspaper stories of Miss Autherine Lucy, the American negro student who has been forced to leave the University of Alabama because of the racial discrimination of the student body there—China Mail Special.

Khrushchev Appointment

London, Feb. 28.

Mr. Nikita Khrushchev has been appointed chairman of a newly-created Bureau of the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party for the Affairs of the Russian Federated Republic, Moscow radio said tonight.

The central committee set up this special bureau, the radio said.

The bureau was created "to help co-ordinate the activities of the party organisations in autonomous republics and provinces of the Russian Federation with the activities of the Soviet state and economic organs and to provide better leadership to solve questions of economic and cultural construction."—Reuter.

Public Enemy No. 1 Sent To Paris Guillotine

Paris, Feb. 28.

France, which apart from Spain is the only West European country retaining the death penalty, today guillotined its public enemy No. 1, gunman Emile Buisson.

Struggling and screaming "You are going to see an innocent man die," Buisson was half-dragged to the guillotine at the Sainte Prison here at dawn and executed for an armed robbery at Boulogne in which a jeweller was seriously wounded.

Buisson, 53, who first appeared in court at the age of nine and was feared in the underworld for his extreme cruelty, had been under the death sentence for two years and no longer expected to be executed.

Prison officers said he was sound asleep when the executioner's assistant entered his cell. Workmen in stockinged feet had spent the night quietly setting up the high wooden framework of the guillotine in the small courtyard nearby.

Second Sentence

As the executioners cut away the collar of Buisson's dark suit, the man shouted the names of accomplices whom he accused of wounding the Boulogne jeweller—the crime which earned him his first death sentence in February 1954.

He was condemned to death for the second time in May the same year.

French law provides the death penalty for armed robbery, though most death sentences have been commuted to life imprisonment recently and only one of five murderers convicted last year was executed.

Buisson smoked two cigarettes, but refused the traditional glass of rum. He asked for Mess to be said, but was told that this was impossible, and that only Holy Communion was authorised. He took Communion.

A few seconds later, the executioners men half-dragged him along the short, electrically flanged corridors to the guillotine.

Escaped

His death ends a chapter in the history of French crime. Several murders, and over 20 robberies with violence were attributed to him. He earned his "public enemy" title after a payroll robbery in 1937.

In 1939 he was captured and sentenced to life imprisonment. He spent all the war and occupation in gaol, his criminal madness he obtained a transfer to a lunatic asylum, from which he escaped in 1947.

For three years he carried out a series of daring raids on shops and banks. Buisson never hesitated to use his gun, whether on bank cashiers or on accomplices who double-crossed him. He was arrested for the last time at the beginning of 1951.

Abolition

In recent years, two bills proposing the abolition of capital punishment have been tabled in France. One was a private members' bill tabled by a deputy who was defeated in the general election last month.

The other was tabled by M. Jules Moch in the name of the Socialist group in the assembly. This bill has never gone beyond the committee.

Maitre Jacques Isnori, who made the preliminary report on the bill to the assembly's Justice Committee, recently told the newspaper Paris-Press that his report recommended abolition of the death penalty.

His report also quoted as listing among its disadvantages the fears of many doctors that guillotine did not kill immediately.

"The most authoritative doctors have noted incontestable signs of survival in the head of a guillotined man, movements of the lips, raising of the eyelids," it said.

Statistics

The British House of Commons vote in favour of abolishing the death penalty has aroused great interest in France. Several newspaper articles have advocated following the British example.

According to official statistics, 294 people were sentenced to death in France from 1946 to 1955 inclusive, and 147 of these were executed. But of 13 people condemned to death in 1954 and 1955, only one was executed—China Mail Special.

Paris, Feb. 28. French and Moroccan negotiators continued their conference on Moroccan independence in Paris today.

A communiqué, issued after the fifth session today, said that in their three and a half hour meeting, the delegates worked on the text of a joint statement—France-Press.

Russian Writer Criticised

Moscow, Feb. 28.

MIKHAIL Sholokhov, the outstanding Soviet novelist, who severely criticised Soviet writers in a speech before the 20th Congress of the Communist Party, was attacked as a "demagogue" and follower of the "leadership cult" in today's issue of Literaturnaya Gazeta (Literary Gazette).

Sholokhov, who said at the Congress that the Soviet writers union was a meeting place of "dead souls" (title of a book by Gogol), was attacked in an open letter from B. Gafurov, leader of the Communist Party of Tadzhikistan, a central Asian republic.

Gafurov, who clashed with Sholokhov on the floor of the Congress, sent to the Gazeta a copy of a letter he said he had received from a party member named "Gulndine", who charged that Sholokhov's statements at the Congress had been "a gross distortion" of his "real criticism".

Slowness

Accusing Sholokhov of adhering to the "leadership cult", the letter "from Gulndine" advised the writer to join other Soviet authors in serving as examples for young writers "instead of acting like a policeman" in the ranks of Soviet writers.

The letter criticised the slowness of Sholokhov in finishing books and his alleged lack of interest in international affairs and in the direction of the writers union.

The letter also hit back at Sholokhov's much-quoted statement to the Congress, that Soviet writers lived in a "vicious triangle" going from Moscow to their country houses, to seaside resorts and back. The letter said there was no disgrace in the fact that Soviet writers possessed country houses and went on vacation.

Sholokhov's statements caused a sensation at the Congress where they were warmly applauded, particularly by Communist Party First Secretary, Nikita Khrushchev—France-Press.

Yugoslav Envoy For Moscow

Moscow, Feb. 28.

A top official of the Yugoslav Foreign Ministry will shortly become ambassador to Moscow as a sign of growing "normalisation" of Yugoslav-Russian relations, Soviet diplomatic sources said today.

The new envoy, whose name was not disclosed, will replace Mr. Dobrovolsky, formerly Yugoslav Counsellor in London, who came to Moscow in September 1955 and is due to leave within two weeks.

Major Seniority

The new envoy is expected to have major seniority, and his appointment is considered an indication that the Yugoslav President, Marshal Tito, regards the testing period of the improvement of Russo-Yugoslav relations as over.

The new appointment is also considered a sign that Marshal Tito believes the recent relaxation of Soviet Communist policy and the end of "Stalinist" persecution of relations between the Yugoslav and Soviet Communist parties on an ideological plane—Reuter.



We welcome an old friend back to the Spot of Honour at the Top of the Sports Parade this week in the person of Lieut Keith Burch of the 1st Bn Essex Regiment. Once again this accomplished athlete has hit the headlines with another first-class track performance.

At Caroline Hill on Sunday morning he turned in a time of 8 minutes 59.0 seconds in the 3,000 Metres run to break the Colony record by 26.3 seconds and at the same time became the first man in Hongkong to run the distance inside 9 minutes.

Apart from beating the countless hands of the watch Keith also had the satisfaction of adding almost equally relentless Bob Page into second place.

Congratulations, Keith Burch on a grand performance.

The real highlight of the Army sports programme this week is the eagerly awaited Final of the Land Forces Team Boxing Championship which will be staged at the Municipal Stadium, Kowloon, on Friday night. Enthusiasm has already reached a high pitch and non-partisan opinion is very much divided as to where the title is going to land.

The contestants—1st Bn North Staffordshire Regiment and the Combined Workshops REME—are indeed worthy finalists, and every man in both teams will fight every inch of the way to come out on top.

The experts appear to favour the North Staffs in the lighter divisions while giving the edge to REME in the heavier weights. This seems to be sound reasoning and it would indeed be an upset if North Staffs stars Hilton and Melgh failed to win their respective bouts.

QUIET CONFIDENCE
From a REME point of view there will be good grounds for quiet confidence, that Legerton, Allison and Downing will come out on the two-points end of the verdicts, but according to winners the REME have also unearthed a real top-class man in the 1st Heavyweight class.

A great deal will depend on the outcome of the 'marginal' bout between the two well-known boxers and if current predictions prove to be accurate and how often they are not. It would seem as though the programme pattern will see the North Staffs forge ahead at the start with the REME boys coming into their own in the later bouts.

This is a most intriguing match. The unexpected brilliance of one man or a disappointing lapse by another could well decide the destination of the trophy. It is an event to be lured into the role of a tipster for I have the greatest admiration for both teams. There is not the slightest doubt that it will be a real battle and I continue myself to the time honoured Sportsman's Toast.

"May the better team win..." Boxing will start at 8 p.m. and as I reported last week it will be a spectacular show with music, fanfares, and all those little trimmings that make the special occasion really big. The demand for tickets has been heavy but if you wish to go I suggest you ring the DOPT (Tel 34121 Ex 408) and have a try. You may still be lucky. As a regular follower of Army boxing my advice is... don't miss this match... you'll be sorry if you do.

ALL-STAR MILE
Although it is often difficult to appreciate it at the time there is surely a great deal of truth in the old saying that it's an ill wind that blows nobody good. The organisers of the

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BOXING THE AMERICAN WAY IS SO DIFFERENT; I SCORE BY COMMONSENSE

Says RUBY GOLDSTEIN
(America's No. 1 Referee)

For years now I have been refereeing major fights in New York and other important boxing centres and perhaps the benefit of my experience can help you in scoring fights.

I often have been asked: "Do you find the rules in the book hard to follow?" You want to know the truth? I don't remember the rules. I score by commonsense, and I mean no disrespect to the book.

For example, a left jab is the most easily landed punch; but it is not likely to hurt. A left hook is harder to land, and is apt to be damaging. As a matter of routine, I value one hook as worth three or four jabs. With southpaws, of course, it is right jab and right hook.

The hook is topped only by combination punches in value. A one-two (jab and right cross) will rate over the hook. So will a right to the body—left to the head.

There are knockdowns and knockouts. Sometimes a fighter is caught off balance; other times he is solidly driven off his feet.

CLEAN KNOCKDOWN

When it is a clean knockdown, I will give the man scoring it the round by two or three.

points under the New York system. Overall, I break down a fight on this basis: 40 per cent for effective hitting, 20 per cent for aggressiveness, 20 per cent for defensive skill, 20 per cent for ring generalship.

One thing a referee or judge must do and that is to discard any personal preference in styles. The puncher, generally, is the most popular of fighters, but to arrive at a just decision he has to be considered no better than a boxer.

COUNTER-PUNCHER

With a counter-puncher, you have to see the completion of an incident to know who's the better man. Say an aggressor storms in, lets a left hook go. But, as he does, he drops his right.

Sure he gets his punch in, but he, in turn, is clipped by a left, and generally, it's the harder punch because he has walked into it.

Talipes: Goldstein shows how widely British and American referees differ in their approach to scoring a fight. Briefly, across the Atlantic it is the power and damaging ability of a punch that counts. In Britain, all that concerns the referee is whether the blows are landed correctly on the target area.—London Service.

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American LTA President Insists On Bringing Young Blood Into Davis Cup Team

New York, Feb. 28.

The poor performances of American players at the hands of the Scandinavian visitors during the recent American covered court Championships, have failed to alarm tennis critics here, who prophesy that American players will rapidly improve this year and become Australia's greatest danger in the Davis Cup.

The remarkable victory of Sweden's Ulf Schmidt over his superior tennis playing compatriot Sven Davidson in Sunday's final of the Championships added irony to the inglorious defeat of Americans Vic Seixas, Art Larsen, (Gil Shea and Sam Giammalva, who faded out in earlier rounds of the singles.

The conversion of Tony Trabert, 1955 world number one player from amateur to professional playing, plus few hopes of new American stars emerging this year has failed to damp the optimism of Donald Budge.

This former Champion, who won the Wimbledon, French, Australian and American Championships in the same year, said the results of the indoor Championships was of small significance, because the Swedes are used to playing on wood ten months out of a year.

FINEST PLAYER

Budge explained that Vic Seixas, America's finest player, was handicapped by the dark

pluses he had to wear as protection against the electric lighting. "We should beat the Swedes on open air courts," said the former Champion, who is now coaching junior tennis players. Budge said the development programme laid down for the junior players should quickly bear fruit, including a great Champion.

Citing 19-year-old Earl Baumgartner, 17-year-old Ron Holmberg, 20-year-old Barry Mackey and 22-year-old Sam Giammalva, Budge said each one of these players could become a great Champion.

Granville McManis, President of the American Lawn Tennis Association, who insisted on bringing young blood into American tennis, said that it is a choice had to be made between a young and a veteran player to represent America in the Davis Cup. The youngster should be selected.

Bill Talbert, captain of the American Davis Cup team, opposed McManis' idea, saying that America could not leave out of the Davis Cup court such players as Seixas, Art Larsen and Herb Flam, without risking a knockout in the first rounds of the Cup.

Frank Shields, who represented America in the Davis Cup backed up Talbert's view when he said America should select the finest players even if they were the veterans for the Davis Cup. He added that the Swedes were far less good on grass than on wood.

Walter Pate, who captained the American Davis Cup team in the time of Don Budge and Ellsworth Vines, said he fervently hoped that a great Champion would suddenly appear on American tennis horizon. But Pate gloomily dipped below the horizon as the only critic to state that the American tennis situation at the moment was hardly brilliant.—France-Press.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Cricket: Major Units Championships at KCC.

Boxing

Entries close for Blarney Stone Rugby tournament.

Badminton

Entries close for Junior Badminton Championships.

Athletics

13 Medium Regiment Athletic meet at Tommy Road, 2 p.m.

TOMORROW

Athletics: Minor Units Championships at Boundary Street.

FRIDAY

Athletics: 27 Inf Bde Unit Championships at Sim Wal.

Boxing

FARELEF Boxing finals, at Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre, 8 p.m.

Meeting

Interport Sub-Committee of the Hongkong Football Association.

H.K. Team For Table Tennis Championships

The Hongkong Table Tennis Association announced last night the following players will represent Hongkong at the World Table Tennis Championships to be held in Tokyo on April 2.

Men's Singles:— Chung Chin-sing, Sih Su-chu, Lau Sik-fong and Tsui Cheung-ling.

Men's Doubles:— Chung Chin-sing and Tsui Cheung-ling; Sih Su-chu and Lau Sik-fong.

Ladies' Singles:— Miss Bagulo Wong, Miss Lau Wal-lim, Miss Chan Yee-ching and Miss Fang Sing-kuang.

Women's Doubles:— Miss Bagulo and Miss Chan Yee-ching; Miss Lau Wal-lim and Miss Fang Sing-kuang.

Mixed Doubles:— Miss Chan Yee-ching and Chung Chin-sing; Miss Bagulo Wong and Sih Su-chu; Miss Lau Wal-lim and Lau Sik-fong; Miss Fang Sing-kuang and Tsui Cheung-ling.

PAKISTAN WIN THE TEST SERIES AGAINST MCC "A"

Peshawar, Feb. 28. Pakistan, who drew a full Test series in England two years ago, made sure of winning the rubber in the current unofficial Tests against the MCC "A" team today when they won the third match here by seven wickets.

The First Test was drawn, Pakistan won the second by an innings and ten runs and only one more of the four-game series remains to be played.

Today's match did not without an echo of the "incident" of the week-end when a Pakistan umpire was the victim of "ragging" by some MCC players. Although this is all over, and apologies have been given and accepted, some of the local people met the MCC as they came out to field with cries of "Shame! Shame!"

Outside the ground a group of college students shouted in unison "MCC go back."

MCC needed a miracle when this fourth day of the match began because Pakistan, with eight second innings wickets in hand, needed only 18 runs for victory. The miracle almost appeared in the form of rain late yesterday—a rest day.

It was not possible to resume until after lunch today and then only after the umpire had decided on a starting time, when the captains had disagreed about a second inspection.

Within half an hour it was all over. Alan Moss, in his fourth over, clean bowled Imtiaz Ahmad but Afton of the required runs had been scored. The end came when Waqar Hassan pulled Lock to the leg boundary, and Pakistan had won by seven wickets.

The Final Test takes place at Karachi, starting on March 9.

SCOREBOARD				
Final scores were:				
MCC "A" First Innings	188			
(A.H. Kardar 6-40). Second Innings 111 (Kardar 5-26, Khum Mohammad 6-65).				
Pakistan First Innings	192			
(Lock 6-44).				
Second Innings				
Hanif Mohammad, c. Close b. Sainsbury	35			
Alim-Ud-Din, b. Sainsbury	59			
Waqar Hassan, not out	27			
Imtiaz Ahmad, b. Moss	28			
Wazir Mohammad, not out	0			
Extras	0			
Total (for three wickets)	149			

Fall of wickets: 1-07, 2-09, 3-145.

Bowling				
	O	M	W	R
Moss	15	4	34	1
Titmus	14	5	46	0
Lock	22.8	9	46	0
Sainsbury	13	6	22	2

Pakistan won by seven wickets.—Reuter.

COCKTAIL PARTY
Peshawar, Feb. 28. Member of the MCC touring side, who lost the third unofficial Test here today, held a cocktail party at the Peshawar Club tonight.

All members of the Pakistan team, together with the umpires, including Idris Beg, victims of the "ragging" incident on Sunday, were present.—China Mail Special.

"Horseplay Carried To An Indefensible Length"

An Embarrassing Day For The MCC

London, Feb. 28.

This has been one of the blackest days in the 169 years' existence of the world's most august and dignified sporting body—the Marylebone Cricket Club, governing authority of the game.

For the MCC gentlemen have been reading with embarrassing horror a press blast of unprecedented severity at the behaviour of some of the English cricketers visiting Pakistan.

Members of the MCC have today seen newspapers which describe the tourists in such harsh terms as "Idiotic, selfish, uncouth."

These adjectives stem from a Sunday night "rag" in Peshawar, Pakistan, in which eight members of the touring MCC team, some wearing handkerchief masks, "kidnaped" and allegedly manhandled a Pakistan umpire, Mr Idris Beg.

These MCC players have been said to disapprove of some of Mr Beg's decisions in such current series of unofficial Tests between the two countries.

Mr Geoffrey Howard, manager of the touring team, has since apologised to Mr Beg, who, he says, regards the incident as closed.

ARM IN A SLING
But British newspapers today gave prominence to interviews with the umpire, reporting that he had to wear his arm in a sling as a result.

The report also quote him as saying that the cricketers forced him to go to their hotel in a horse-drawn carriage.

The Secretary of the MCC refused comment on the incident in the face of a hostile press today.

The Daily Herald says, over, that Mr Airds is "most concerned" over the incident.

The newspaper adds: "Such behaviour, particularly towards an umpire whose decisions have not met with the approval of the Englishmen, will need a great deal of explaining."

The Daily Herald's correspondent with the team says it was a "prank which got out of control," and adds: "It was hopelessly ill-considered and led to a series of interviews, that MCC players were aggrieved by the course of the cricket."

The correspondent says, however, that their apologies have been sincere and "happily accepted as such."

The News Chronicle's correspondent reports that opinion in Peshawar is "deeply incensed by a piece of horseplay which was carried to indefensible lengths."

INDIGNATION
The correspondent declares: "It is hard to imagine the indignation which would rage throughout England if, say, a West Indies or Pakistan team dragged England's star umpire, Frank Chester, from his hotel to pour water over him when they were near to defeat in a Test match, one might gather a little of the feeling here."

"However charitably one looks at it, it is difficult to see how this sort of thing can be defended."

The Daily Express correspondent in Peshawar says the apology has saved the tour from ending abruptly.

The Daily Mirror correspondent writes: "It is no secret here that players are bitter about umpiring decisions on the tour..."

"So the impression is certain to get about among susceptible Pakistanis that the players were, to put it bluntly, getting their own back."

"HOOLIGANISM"
The Times, in its Wednesday edition, said the "hooliganism"—no lighter word fits—of some of the members of the MCC team has blotted Britain's reputation for sportsmanship.

It said the affair "cannot be dismissed with the apologies that have been given and accepted," and suggested that the MCC must intervene.

"Rough horseplay, of which an umpire is a victim, would be quite beyond the bounds of all concerned were at home, Englishmen among themselves, at Old Trafford or the Oval," The Times continued.

"But our men are guests in an eastern country, and they should have known better than to forget themselves as they evidently did."

**World Two Hands
Press Record
By Soviet Lifter**

Moscow, Feb. 28.

The young Soviet weightlifting hero, Ravel Khabutdinov, set up a new world record for the Press in the Light-weight category when he lifted 121.5 kilograms during a meeting between the best weightlifters of the Soviet Air Force "Wings" Club, it was announced here today.

The former world record was set up by his compatriot, Fedor Nikitine on February 3 last with a Press of 121 kilograms.

Trained by the famous Soviet weightlifter, M. Kaganik, Khabutdinov started weightlifting in 1950 after taking a course of gymnastics.—France-Press.

48 Athletes To Represent Belgium In Olympic Games

Brussels, Feb. 28. Belgium will send 48 athletes and 18 officials to the Olympic Games in Melbourne in November, the Belgian Olympic Committee decided today.

Total cost is expected to be around six million Belgian francs (about £2,850 sterling).

The party is limited to 60, the committee said, because the chartered aircraft will not be able to accommodate more passengers in view of baggage and equipment.

The 48 competitors, to be selected from an original group of 85 prospective candidates, will be announced by August 31 at the latest.—Reuter.

Manila Collegiate Soccer Team Beaten 6-1

Manila, Feb. 29. The Korean national football team won a farewell engagement here last night with a 6-1 victory over a Manila Collegiate team.

The Koreans, who won the first of two games for the Asian Football Championship against the Philippines, won all three of their scheduled games here.

They beat a Chinese selection on Sunday by 2-1.

The Koreans now return to Seoul for their second game with the Philippines team next April.—France-Press.

COLONY TENNIS New Doubles Partnership

A Good One By "Touchwood"

The new combination of Ip Koon-hung and Fung Moon looked good and quite formidable too on their showing against veterans K. M. Au and Mok Yam in yesterday's Colony Grass Court first round Doubles matches at Chater Road.

Scoring as they pleased, Ip and partner sent the opposing pair back to the dressing room in approximately 28 minutes to win 6-0, 6-1.

Fung Moon's display yesterday showed that he is a force to be reckoned with in this year's Doubles championships and though he has not yet acquired the Championship's touch, this youngster has all the qualities of a good Doubles player.

Fung's strongest point was his sweeping drive that was a point winner, but he will have to improve on his services which lack power and accuracy.

Of the six doubles matches that between Lee Wal-long and P. Tong and C. K. Chau and H. H. Tsou took the longest time to complete. Lee and Tong won the first set 10-8 and in the next some brilliant volleys by Tong dashed all hopes of Chau and Tsou into forcing a rubber when they lost at 6-2.

The only Singles match of the evening between Ng Man-cheung and P. S. Ng went to three sets before Ng won 4-6, 6-1, 6-0. Ng's better courtcraft and accurate backhand slice shots gave him the edge over his opponent.

THE RESULTS

Following were the results of the matches played yesterday:

M. C. Ng beat P. S. Ng 4-0, 6-1, 6-0. The match between N. Lo and P. Chan was postponed.

K. H. Lo and Fung Moon beat Au and Mok 6-0, 6-1, 6-0. H. H. Tsou and P. Tong beat Lee Wal-long and P. S. Ng 10-8, 6-2, 6-1. H. H. Tsou and P. Tong beat Lee Wal-long and P. S. Ng 10-8, 6-2, 6-1.

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Before Playing British Clubs...

Continental Rugby Union Sides Must Prove They Are True Amateurs

London, Feb. 29.

Continental Rugby Union sides will have to prove that they are true amateurs before playing British club teams if the Welsh Rugby Union has its way.

The Welsh have asked the International Rugby Board to give a policy ruling on the matter following allegations here that some continental sides pay their players.

The International Board will have to give an exact definition of what is meant by amateurism. It is understood that the Board will have to give an exact definition of what is meant by amateurism.

Payment to players is directly contrary to the spirit of the amateur game as interpreted by the four home unions, but where is the dividing line for countries who pay state subsidies to their sportsmen or give players special privileges?

The Board's decision will be awaited with interest now that matches between some sides and continental teams are on the cards.

The Welsh Union's request comes mainly from the fact that the Rumanian side has been strictly amateur in the past.

The Rumanians have been playing the game since the beginning of the century and have increased their standard of play almost to international level since the war.

FIRST APPEARANCE

Last September's representative team from Bucharest made its first appearance in Britain. The Rumanians played three matches and astonished British rugby fans by their skill.

Superbly fit, though lacking in technique, the Rumanians were good enough to swamp Swansea who they had beaten twice in Bucharest. They lost to Cardiff, the leading Welsh club, by only three points and forced the London club Harlequins to draw.

But during their tour, some newspapers have reported that the Rumanian players were being paid for their services.

This the Rumanians denied, but now that another Welsh club has asked permission to play a Rumanian side next season, the reports have led the Welsh Union to ask for a policy ruling from the International Board.

The Welsh Union have emphasised that their request does not refer only to the Rumanians but to other continental sides as well.

There is little doubt among observers here that the Rumanian game is state subsidised, and one question is whether this would influence their players' amateur status. The Board will have to decide.

WHERE REFS COME FROM

Yorkshire, as the largest county, supplies as many as 21 referees to the first class list of the Football League. But London, with a population of ten million people, have only two representatives. Acreage counts more than density evidently.

THE CANTERING COWBOY....

Has Santee Been Cheating Or Perhaps Nobbling A Competitor?

Ask DENNIS HART

Wes Santee, the cantering cowboy, will not run in the Olympic Games at Melbourne, or in any amateur athletic meeting. Officialdom has decreed otherwise.

Has then Santee been guilty of sharp practice on the track, cheating or perhaps nobbling a competitor? Nothing of the sort. He is alleged to have asked for excessive expenses to the tune of £245 for competing at a meeting. Or rather he is accused of not so much of asking for the expenses as for receiving them.

The payers of the 'tainted' money were surely as guilty as Santee. Yet there has been no ban on the organisers from running further meetings.

Such an action, however, would mean taking the common sense view. That is no way to understand the laws which decree that one athlete is an amateur and another is a professional.

Ever heard of a world class tennis player having to turn down an invitation because he couldn't afford to take time off from his job? More likely he couldn't afford to refuse the invitation. The job, if any, takes second place.

With expenses paid for the whole year tennis players can live off the fat of the land, and they are still strictly amateurs, old boy.

A tournament organiser in Rome has declared that it is cheaper to stage a Championship fight than arrange a top-class amateur tennis tournament.

TOP CLASS EVENTS

The 'True Blues' of soccer and cricket don't do so badly either. Make a list of top class events, run shrewdly for the love of sport and you would be hard put to go beyond the Boat Race. Is it such a bad thing?

Money and professionalism run sport, scream the diehards. I think they have got something. Sporting spirit and financial gain do not naturally go hand in hand.

But the diehards live in the past. Sport is no longer solely a recreation. Whether we like it or not, it is business, big business. The money is there. So why not a share for the competitors, cricketers, footballers, golfers and athletes?

Another suspended sportsman in the news is Mr Ben Green, a boxing referee. Mr Green has committed two crimes. Firstly he gave a verdict which very few people agreed with, secondly he is 71.

About that verdict, Mr Green gave Londoner Peter Waterman victory over Cuba's Kid Gavilan. Mr Green said that I thought Gavilan won. But my recordcard gave him victory by only a quarter of a point.

CORRECT PUNCHES

Many of Gavilan's hardest punches, which caused resounding thumps and gave the crowd the impression that Waterman was taking much punishment, were slaps with the open glove. These not only score no points

but count against the boxer. And many of Gavilan's correct punches were taken by Waterman on the arms.

Mr Green may still have erred. But we are all human and surely it is harsh to sack a man who has served the sport for 44 years over a fraction of a point.

The Boxing Board have now imposed an age limit of 65 on referees.

This at a time when top line officials are scarce. Why not pick the best man for the job, whether he be 65 or 75?

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Haguenauer Out Of English Open Table Tennis

Manchester, Feb. 28.

The English Open Table Tennis Championships began here today and there were shocks before the first day's play ended.

First, in the second round, was the defeat of the only former Men's Singles Champion, Michael Haguenauer (France). Now 41 he won the title three years ago but tonight, against the unorthodox Australian, Lou Laza, whose harder hitting carried him through, the Frenchman had to admit defeat with the score 22-20, 21-11, 20-22, 23-21.

A bigger shock was the defeat in round three of the second favourite, also of France, Henri Roothof. Jones, an Essex commercial artist who plays for Essex county and who, after losing the first game, played better than ever before to literally hit Roothof off the table.

The final score was 15-21, 22-20, 23-21, 21-19.

Though usually strongest on his forehand Jones tonight lost touch with a series of backhand flicks. —China Mail Special.

ANN HAYDON

The English Table Tennis Championships, with a big international challenge, opened here today but most of the early play was concerned with the junior events. These were notable for the play of Ann Haydon, the young British girl who is to be an official representative with the English team in the World Championships in Tokyo.

Seventeen years of age, she sailed through all her preliminaries to reach the final of all three junior events in which she competed — Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles.

She arrives in London late today, after a long journey. Last night but then took only a total of fourteen minutes to win two matches which put her in the Singles final. She partnered Dorothy Worrall in the Girls' Doubles and England's leading junior boy, Laurie Landry in the Mixed but went into both finals without losing a game. Landry did the same in the Boys' events while Ian Harrison, who played for England against France in a semi-international yesterday, reached the Boys' Doubles and Singles Finals, though he had driven all through the night from Cheltenham. —Reuter.

OVERSEAS CONTINGENT

Pakistani players were among the strong overseas contingent, including competitors from France, Hungary and Germany, who took part in the opening rounds of the British Table Tennis Championships in Manchester tonight.

Pakistani Results:

First round (Men's Singles): —K. Said (Pakistan) beat J. Wilkinson (Britain) 21-14, 21-15 and 21-14.

Second round: —S. A. Zhan (Pakistan) lost to H. Verner (Britain) 21-6, 21-10 and 21-14. —N. A. Zahid (Pakistan) beat H. Langley (Britain) 22-20, 21-10 and 21-13.

K. Said (Pakistan) beat W. Ormo (Britain) 21-11, 21-4 and 21-10.

G. Zaidi (Pakistan) lost to H. Schneider (Germany) 21-14, 21-11, 21-10.

Third round: —N. A. Zahid (Pakistan) lost to L. Landry (Britain) 21-19, 21-10, 21-18. —K. Said (Pakistan) lost to G. Mathies (Germany) 21-10, 21-10, 21-13. —France-Press.

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Revised Hockey League Fixtures

Following are the revised League fixtures for the remainder of the season. It is drawn to the attention of all Clubs that no further postponements for any reason can now be granted, and only if the grounds, in the opinion of the authorities concerned, are unplayable, will matches be cancelled.

Ladies' Division
March 3:—Grangeover v Rereale at Happy Valley at 4 p.m.; Grenlins v Victoria at Happy Valley at 4.30 p.m.; Grenlins Kings v Services at Boundary Street at 2.30 p.m.

Men's First Division
March 4:—Rereale v Grenlins at Boundary Street at 2.30 p.m.; RN 'A' v Rereale 'A' at King's Park at 3 p.m.; Rereale 'B' v RN 'A' at Rereale at 2.30 p.m.; KITE v Army 'A' at Sookunpo at 4 p.m.

Men's Second Division
RN 'B' v Demons at Happy Valley at 2.30 p.m.; KITE v RAF 'B' at Happy Valley at 4 p.m.

Ladies' Division
March 10:—KGV 'B' v Grenlins at Boundary Street at 2.30 p.m.; Victoria Services at Happy Valley at 3 p.m.; Rereale v Durlans 'A' at Boundary Street at 2 p.m.

Men's First Division
March 11:—Nav Bharat 'A' v KITE at Happy Valley at 4.30 p.m.

Men's Second Division
Nav Bharat 'B' v HKIC at King's Park at 2.30 p.m.

Cup Match
RN 'B' v Rereale 'B' at Rereale at 3 p.m.

Ladies' Division
March 12:—Rereale v KGV 'B' at Boundary Street at 2.30 p.m.; Durlans 'A' v Grenlins at Boundary Street at 4 p.m.

Men's First Division
March 18:—Rereale 'A' v Army 'B' at Rereale at 4 p.m.; Nav Bharat 'A' v Army 'A' at Sookunpo at 4 p.m.; KITE v Sookunpo at King's Park at 2.30 p.m.; Rereale 'A' v Rereale 'A' at Rereale at 2.30 p.m.

Ladies' Division
March 23:—KGV 'B' v Victoria at Boundary Street at 4 p.m.; Grenlins v Grangeover at Boundary Street at 2.30 p.m.

Men's First Division
March 23:—Army 'B' v Nav Bharat 'A' at Sookunpo at 2.30 p.m.; RAF 'A' v Rereale 'B' at King's Park at 3 p.m.; KITE v RN 'A' at King's Park at 3 p.m.

Ladies' Division
April 2:—Ladies' 7-a-side Tournament at King's Park from 10.30 a.m.

Cup Matches
The second round of the Men's Cup Matches will all be played on this date. The draw for this round will be made immediately after the first round is known, and published in the Press. The ground for the first round is known, and published in the Press. The ground for the first round is known, and published in the Press.

Men's First Division
April 8:—Army 'A' v Rereale 'A' at Sookunpo at 4 p.m.; Army 'B' v KITE at Sookunpo at 2.30 p.m.; KITE at Sookunpo at 2.30 p.m.; Sookunpo v Bharat 'A' at Sookunpo at 11 a.m.; Rereale 'B' v RN 'A' at Rereale at 2.30 p.m.

Ladies' Division
April 10:—Cup Final: International Final.

April 22:—End of Season Festival at Sookunpo at 2.30 p.m.

Mid Week Matches:—The following matches between Services teams will be played under mutual arrangements made by team captains, regarding place and date of the matches. Army 'A' v Army 'B'.

RAF 'A' v Army 'A'.
Army 'C' v RN 'A'.

The Prize Draw: Tickets Nos. 10 and 400 have won two prizes which have been claimed. Holders of these two tickets should contact Mr J. 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Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders of The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Second Floor, Telephone House, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong), on Friday, 23rd March, 1956 at 12 Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1955, to elect a Director and to appoint Auditors.

By Order of the Board,
A. SOMMERFELT,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 28th Feb., 1956.

NOTICE

THE "STAR" FERRY
COMPANY, LIMITED.
Notice to Shareholders
Ordinary Yearly Meeting

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-fourth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, 14th March, 1956, at Noon for the following purposes:—

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1955, and the Auditors' Report thereon.
2. To sanction a Dividend and a Cash Bonus in respect of the year 1955.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS

Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 1st to 14th March, 1956, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G. B. S. THOMSON,
General Manager and Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th Feb., 1956.

TASMANIA PLANS NEW 'HOTEL' PRISON

Plenty Of Windows Offer Pleasant View

Hobart, Feb. 28.

A prison which its planners hope will become a model for penal institutions has reached the blueprint stage here.

If it materialises, prisoners will see no walls, their cells will have individual wash-basins and toilets, and there will be more gardens than concrete courtyards.

Although the average Australian hotel could not boast as much, the plan is not the product of unwieldy idealism. The Professor of Architecture at Melbourne University, Professor Brian Lewis, who drew up the plans, said that they were the brain-child of Colonel John Scanlon, who recently retired from the post of Governor of Tasmanian prisons, after many years of dealing with prisoners of all types, from hard-bitten criminals to bewildered first offenders.

HANDSOME

The Tasmanian government, which began working on a project for a new prison at the State's capital city six years ago, called in Professor Lewis. He has designed a handsome building which even from the outside will look more like a large modern factory than a grim prison. Only two guard towers can be seen and the high walls, which comprise the rear of the cells, are lined with glass windows looking more like a factory.

The cells all overlook the central courtyard and gardens. They all possess a view and receive the maximum amount of sunlight possible, rather like the wards of modern hospitals. They are centrally-heated.

There are iron bars in the windows but they are not apparent because they are worked in panel patterns in the glass. All buildings are lined for bright colours to match the modern, light style of architecture and what its planners hope will be the atmosphere of the new goal.

NEW METHOD

Professor Lewis' drawings show, in addition to the cells, a hall and lecture room, dining room, kitchen, factory, administration and wardens' quarters.

The new Hobart prison will also introduce a new method of feeding the prisoners, according to Professor Lewis. Prisoners will be separated according to category and will eat in a series of dining rooms according to their category.

That, he explained, will remove both the dullness of eating in cells and the irritation of eating in a big hall, among all types of prisoners.

The new prison will be in stark contrast to the penal settlement at Port Arthur now.

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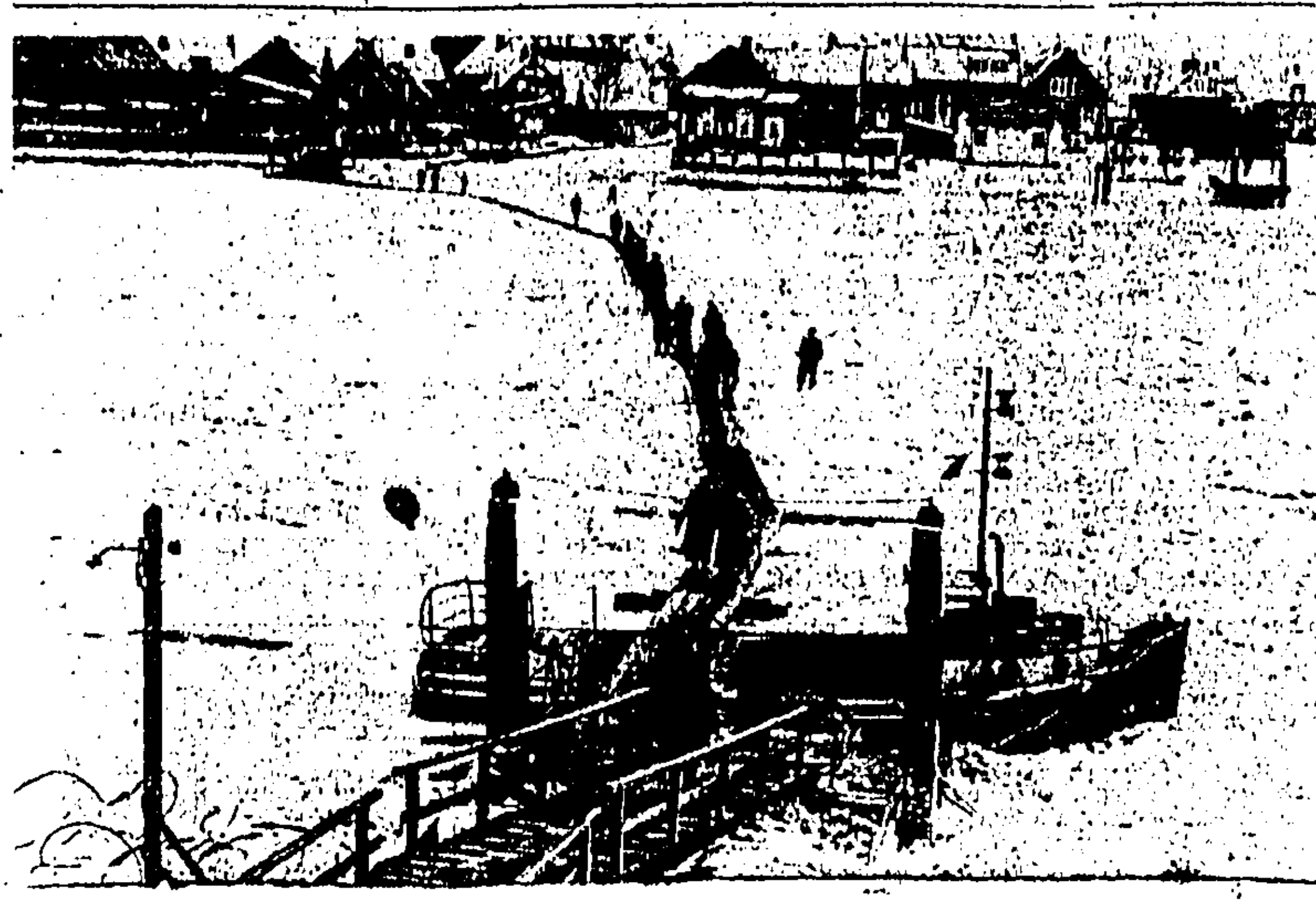
THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the Board Room of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Alexandra House, 8th Floor, on Tuesday 20th March, 1956, at 5.30 p.m. to receive the Report of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1955, and to approve the Accounts and to transact such other business as may be necessary according to the Constitution of the Society.

By Order of the Executive Committee,
H. MAITLAND,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 28th Feb., 1956.

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The cold spell which has attacked the Continent so fiercely in recent weeks has frozen solid practically all the rivers and waterways in the Netherlands. This picture shows the scene last week at the junction of the Rhine and the Meuse. Bridges are unnecessary here—the ice is strong enough to hold a tank.
—Express Photo.

TELEGRAM FOR POPE

London, Feb. 28.
A telegram was sent from the House of Commons today on behalf of 22 Conservative and Labour members of Parliament to Pope Pius XII, who is 80 on Friday.
It read: "On behalf of all Catholic members of the British Parliament we offer our greetings on your birthday."
"Ardent thanks for your inspired leadership in cause of truth and just peace."
"Fervent prayers for all your intentions."—Reuter.

Train Cruises In Summer HOLIDAY THAT IS DIFFERENT

Stockholm, Feb. 28.
Train cruises are Sweden's solution to the problem of finding "a holiday that is different."
Other countries organise cruises in steamers, large and small, round their coasts, and coach trips which explore the interior of the country by road.

Sweden has the coaches for those who want them and she also has steamers cruising on her many beautiful lakes and rivers.
But for those in search of something more novel she uses her highly developed and well organised network of all-electric railways in an unique way.

SAVES PACKING

Special trains become not merely a means of transport but also hotel, sight-seeing base and social centre. They have many advantages. They can, for example, travel long distances by night, leaving the day free for sight-seeing.

From the tourist's point of view, too, train cruises save the tiresome packing and unpacking of the suitcase at hotel after hotel, day after day. Above all, they offer great variety at a moderate cost, amounting to just under £2 sterling a day in most cases. The all-in charge includes everything that would be included in a day cruise or coach tour—full board and lodging, sight-seeing excursions, entrance fees, tips and the services of an expert guide who speaks English, and usually German and French as well.

The tourist this summer has a good choice of area which he can visit on one of these train cruises: the "Lake District" of Varmland and Dalecarlia; Lapland, far inside the Arctic Circle and the land of the sunlit nights; or the mountains of central Sweden, from Osterund to Storlien on the Norwegian border.
One tour which takes in the last named train cruise and includes a whole day in Stockholm, costs only £49 10s for a 15-day round trip from London back to London.

It begins and ends with a short sea cruise, because the North Sea crossing by Swedish Lloyd steamer from Tilbury to Gothenburg is timed so as to give passengers one whole day at sea.

Tourists travelling from Stockholm for example, to join the Lapland touring train at Boden get a 25 per cent reduction in the return railway fare and the sleeper supplement is included in the four fee of just under £14 for seven days.

BECOMES HOME

For the seven days of the land cruise, the train becomes home to the tourist.

Equipped with 2-berth sleepers which serve as bedrooms, it also has a lounge car with a room, library and a compartment with a gramophone for dancing.

Each sleeping compartment has hot and cold running water and such refinements as thermostatically controlled heating for chilly days and wall plugs for electric razors of any voltage.

There is also a shower car with a number of shower baths, a wash-room for the nylon "smalls," an electric iron—and even a hair dryer.

Travel by night is especially advantageous on the long journey north into Jamland and the Arctic Circle.
After running all night, mainly through forests, the train cruiser will discover, as he eats his breakfast, that the trees are getting lower—a sure sign that he is approaching the Arctic Circle where the towering silver birches of Dalecarlia are replaced by dwarfed editions no taller than a man.

NATURAL BEAUTIES

Exact planning which makes the best of every hour of the day and sees to it that nothing of outstanding interest is missed while "on the move" at night combined with the indefatigable efforts of the guides to see that all their guests are happy and no one is lonely, are the keynotes of the success of these train cruises.

On most trips, the 60 to 90 strangers who get off at the starting point leave the train at the end of the cruise as so many friends. For they have shared a novel holiday and "discovered" together Sweden's natural beauties: her woods and lakes, green meadows with hay drying on fence-topping mountains and gushing waterfalls.

They will also have learned much about the customs and history of her people and it is likely that they will part with a "skål" all round and the singing of one of two Swedish drinking songs which they have added to their repertoire during the holiday.

Language problems on these cruises rarely arise. Even outside the province of tourism Sweden never expects their foreign visitors to know their language and readily go to a great deal of trouble to discover someone who speaks a language which the tourist can understand.

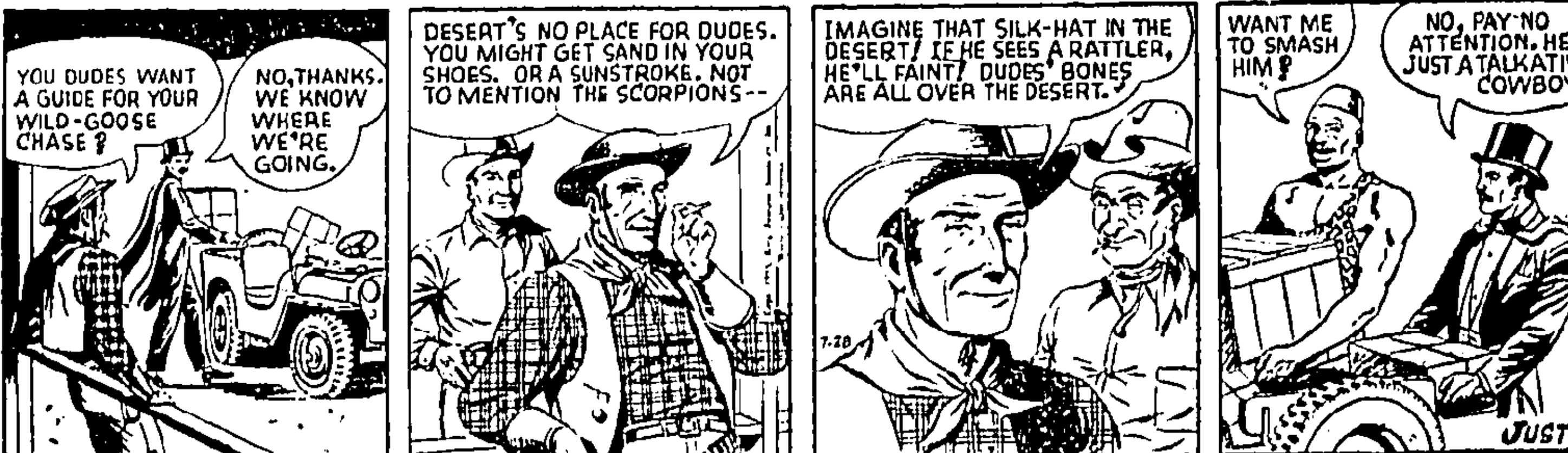
On the train cruises, the guide is usually well able to take care of whatever language situation may present itself. Hundreds of Americans who have visited Sweden in the past few years are already familiar with one train cruise—a luxury version equipped with single-berth sleepers, in 6 days, takes the tourist from Stockholm, through Dalecarlia, up to Osterund and the mountain resort of Ore, on into the Arctic Circle and along one of the most picturesque stretches of railway in Europe, to Narvik in Norway.

FAMOUS HOTELS

The return is made through the lower town of Kiruna, which claims to be the biggest parish in the world, down the smiling valley of the Angermansvalen to Sundsvall, in the heart of the timber district, and back to Stockholm.
Officially, the Sunlit Nights Land Cruise, this particular train is known throughout Sweden as "the dollar train."
On this trip, limited to 40 or so passengers, in addition to seeing all the sights in a maximum of comfort, the tourist lurches and dines at many of Sweden's most famous hotels, where he finds the opportunity to taste the local delicacies for which each particular district is gastronomically famous.—China Mail Special.

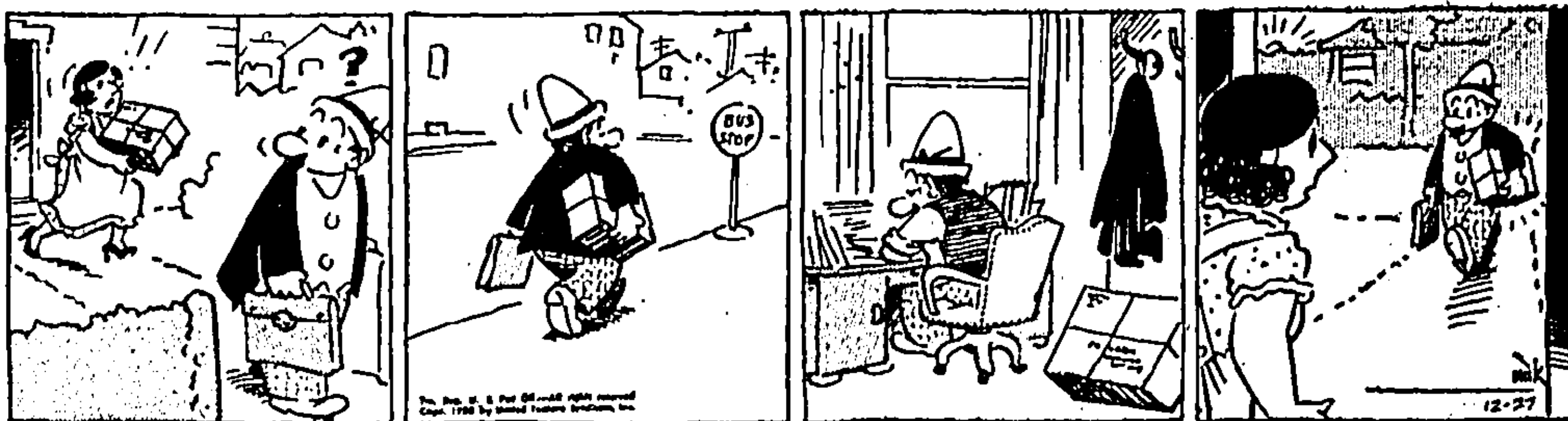
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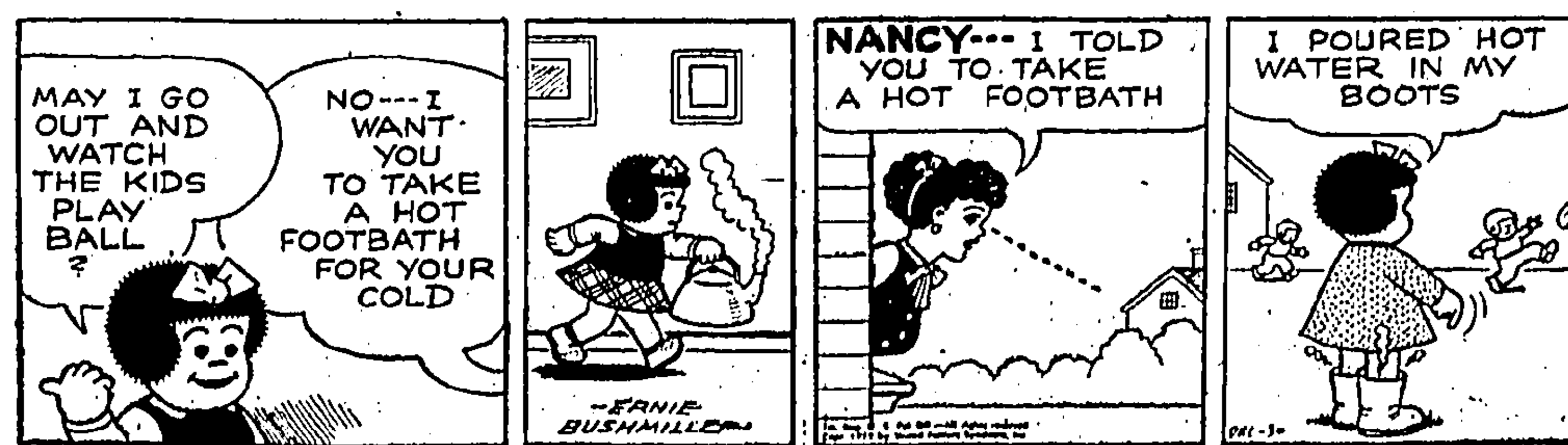
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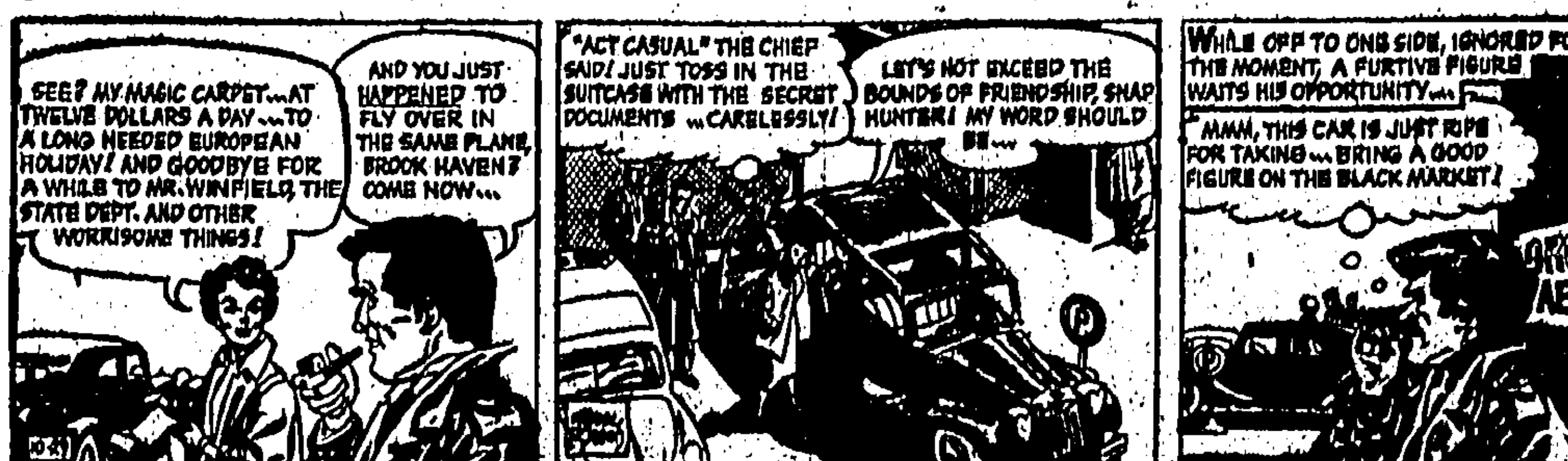
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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

FIRST TIMERS

THE state of the nation's financial health is a complicated one, towards the answering of which London's courts do not very often provide pointers for the professors.

But when small-time, first-time criminals like George and Ted can afford to hire a taxi to take them to the few hundred yards of the streets of their choice, it looks as though the small section of the community small-time, first-time criminals was not too healthy.

Police in a patroling Hong Kong saw George and Ted call up the taxi.

ON THEIR OWN

WHAT instant it was in the police-car's crew that made them suspicious is a matter they have kept to themselves. But they unobtrusively followed the cab, which after a journey that can scarcely have registered on the clock, drew up outside the shell of a building that was being demolished.

It was mid-evening and the demolition-gangs had long since left off their occupational activities. George and Ted had the place to themselves, as they thought.

COMPANY

FOR a moment or two they had the place to themselves. Then they had company. The police, who arrived just as the two friends were totting a sackful of lead from the first floor to ground level.

At Clerkenwell court next morning, George and Ted pleaded guilty to stealing 72lb of lead.

"Had they hidden the lead there," asked the magistrate, Mr. Frank Powell, when the Police had told of the arrest.

"Yes, sir, it had been strapped from the first floor earlier, then left to be picked up."

NOTHING FURTHER

"TILL me about them," said the magistrate.

"Yes, sir," the policeman answered. "There are no previous convictions against either."

And he went on to say that George and Ted were a couple, and had worked as a postman in Hampshire for a year before coming here, just before Christmas.

Ted was a married man, 55 years old, father of a nine-year-old daughter, who had started life as a bell-hop on a transatlantic liner, and now was a painter and decorator on his own account.

The magistrate asked George what he did for a living, and he wanted to address a further "George answered with dignity.

"But you haven't addressed me at all, yet."

WEIGHT OFF THEIR MINDS

"PLeased guilty, didn't I?" George countered, not insolently, just stating a fact.

"Fueled was, thought I'd have a look around, could do with a couple of bob, got caught, that's all there is to it."

"And you?" Mr. Powell said to Ted, a Channel Islander by birth.

"Well, look at it this way," Ted said. "Haven't no money in me pocket, went in, came out, caught."

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

New Floods Cause Trials And Tribulations

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Feb. 21.

For the second week in succession the floods have come and added another few millions to the huge bill they have created since Christmas.

Residents along the Hawkesbury River, just returning to their mud and slime covered homes, and ruined furniture after last week's record floods were moving out again at the weekend as a wall of muddy water from the mountains threatened to send the river to a new record height.

On the North Coast river system, out of control, three causes of water washing away homes, away lines and hopes.

The Hunter River, quiet and dead for exactly 12 months and a week—the Maitland disaster of last February—has again washed out farms that have been laboriously brought back to production over the last year.

Altogether more than 5,000 families have left their homes and experts say another £3 million in damages at least can be added to the £10 million of the previous week.

COURAGEOUS

And with this crazy weather of ours, there is just nothing that can be done except to marvel at the courage of those who risk to make their homes of river banks.

The Sydney Weather Bureau, apparently an extremely dry year, has recorded 21 inches of rain since January 1, but official registration at many official registration points put the figure into the 30's. One suburb had 17.6 inches in 30 hours a week ago—and it is in an area that is supposed to have an average annual rainfall of 42 inches.

While NSW has been the worst sufferer, Victoria, Queensland and Tasmania have all had their share of floods over the weekend.

One who put used to get a message from a friend who is one of the older folk blamed this fearful weather, and the storm, and now we are inclined to go around with a thoughtful frown on the brow.

FLECTION CAMPAIGN

THE NSW election campaign (ending day, March 3) is hotting up but it must be admitted that so far there has been no particular dirty work. Both leaders are putting bombs and each other's statements, but that is natural.

One of the things to swallow was the picture of the Premier, Joe Cahill, and the Federal Labour Leader, "Doc" Evatt, smiling at each other on a platform for all the world as though they were buddies.

The Premier had to have the Federal Leader in his platform for his policy pitch all in the name of sweet unity but it's a bit up to him he dislikes most—Doc Evatt or his brother Bert.

The new leader of the Liberals, Pat Morton, has caused the right with considerable success and while he may not be using his verbal fasts very scientifically, he is letting go some fine old sayings that are hurting anyone who happens to be in the road.

HIS JOB AHEAD

Maybe friend Pat would do better to concentrate on a few major points of policy rather than being mugged by an out-of-control Hollywood press agent and he would do less to confuse the issue if he stopped trying to think up an answer to everything that Joe Cahill trolls out.

He has the job ahead of him to unseat Labour after 16 years in office, but if he does there is one little point he has not yet mentioned—how he is going to govern with a completely hostile Legislative Assembly (Upper House).

SCOOTER V OSTRICH

Dunfer, Feb. 28.

A Frenchman on a scooter tried to pass an ostrich trotting down a street in Nanney today, but the ostrich reacted so violently to the challenge to its reputation as a speedy runner that the scooter driver was seriously injured and his machine damaged.

The ostrich and the scooter collided in a mass of feathers, and the rider was carried off to hospital. The ostrich, whose legs were broken, had to be destroyed and was later eaten by the town's people—France-Press.

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"It seems a long time since you played the violin, Grace—aren't you going to keep up with your music?"

Alleged Forgery: Crown Counsel's Address

Mr J. Bodilly, Crown Counsel, made his final address before Judge K. R. Macfee at Victoria District Court this morning during the concluding stages of the trial of a cloth manufacturer, charged with forgery.

The Prosecution concluded its case yesterday and the Defence did not call any evidence.

The accused is Chan Po-chung, 44. He is charged with forgery and uttering five forged documents between December 1954 and February last year.

The documents purported to be Imperial Preference Certificates issued by the Department of Commerce and Industry.

Mr Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr Peter Mo, is representing the accused. Mr Bodilly is prosecuting, assisted by Det. Insp. F. G. Jenkins.

AN OBJECTION

Before Mr Bodilly began to sum up the evidence of the Prosecution, Mr Cheung raised an objection. Quoting an authority, Mr Cheung said Crown Counsel had a right to sum up in a case where the accused did not give evidence but that right

should be very seldom exercised and only in exceptional circumstances.

Judge Macfee overruled the objection and said he wished to hear Mr Bodilly.

Having dealt in law with the definition of forgery, Mr Bodilly said from the evidence of Mr McGregory, it was clear that the certificate was a forged document. The question was who had made the forgery.

There was evidence in regard to two applications submitted to the Department of Commerce and Industry by the accused of his fold in respect of two consignments of three thousand yards of cloth material each. The two applications carried the signature and the chop of the accused and prima facie they were accused's applications.

Evidence had been given by Mr M. J. Patel relating to the Imperial preference certificate. He said that he had given the certificate to the accused.

The accused's statement made in answer to the charge, could be taken as evidence. Mr Bodilly also referred to various other points in the evidence of the Prosecution and submitted that it was the accused who made or caused the forgery.

With regard to the charges of uttering forged documents, Mr Bodilly said evidence showed that prima facie the accused had known what the documents were and there was evidence that they had been handed over to the accused by the accused.

He submitted that the documents had been forged before they were sent to the company.

Hearing is continuing.

LADY GRANTHAM VISITS SCHOOL

Lady Grantham paid a visit to the Pope Plus XII Handicraft School in Fok Wah Village, Ngau Tai Kok, this morning.

She was accompanied by Mr C. G. M. Morris, acting Social Welfare Officer. On arrival she was met by Rev. Fr. W. P. Murphy, Father Superior of the Maryknoll Fathers in Hongkong. Rev. Fr. A. F. Dempsey, headmaster of the school; Mr Eugene Voucher, Technical Director of the School; and Rev. Fr. F. H. Truby.

ENAMEL FACTORY MURDER TRIAL

Further Crown evidence was given when the enamel factory murder trial continued before Mr Justice Reynolds and a Special Jury in the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Li Nung, 27, a painter of the Yick Fung Enamel Factory is accused of murdering his foreman, Hung Oi-chung, at the factory premises, Castle Peak Road, on October 11, 1955.

The Prosecution said that the accused was severely beaten up for allegedly tearing down a Chinese Nationalist paper flag posted to a door of the factory on Double Tenth last year. It was alleged that two hours or so after the assault, which took place the following day, accused stabbed deceased to death with a triangular file.

Mr Desmond Mayne, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting. Divisional Detective Inspector W. E. Thomas, officer in charge of the case was present in Court for the Police.

Accused is defended by Mr John Clifford and Mr Kamindar S. Gill, both instructed by Mr P. D. A. Remedios.

Chau Yee, enamel worker employed in the acid washing department of the factory, confirmed his evidence this morning.

TRIANGULAR FILE

Chau told the Court yesterday that he was looking at a notice board when deceased came up to him. They had a conversation. Suddenly he heard deceased cry out "Al Yuh". He turned round and saw accused standing a foot from the deceased. He saw accused put his hand down and heard some metal object drop. It was a triangular file.

Witness said that accused then ran and he followed him along the passage. Accused ran towards the general office. When he later entered it the factory manager told him to leave. Accused was inside, he said.

Deceased was lying on the ground, and there was blood on his right side.

In answer to Mr Clifford, witness said that there were 15 people in the acid washing department. One of the folks, Cheung Chun was, he agreed, working with his face to the door. He himself was on the acid washing work. Six were engaged in work connected with drying goods on a furnace, three on hammering work and a few in the degreasing department.

A folk, Chiu Kin-wah was about six feet away from where he and the deceased were standing when the incident occurred. Chiu was doing hammering work.

FELL NEAR BODY

Witness agreed that the alleged stabbing took place in front of the notice board, which was on the side of a door connecting the acid washing and degreasing departments.

He said it was there that he saw accused drop his hand and he heard the sound of a metal object being dropped. The metal object, which was a triangular file, fell near the body of the deceased. It was not in the same position when the Police arrived. It was found near the middle of the room.

Defence Counsel suggested that the weapon was never moved, that it was where it was dropped, not in front of the notice board but in the middle of the room.

Witness said that so far as he knew prior to his chasing the accused, the file lay near the body.

Hearing is continuing.

SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY PLEADING CONTINUES

Mr Percy Chen this morning entered his third day of making submissions before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg at the Supreme Court on the question of sovereign immunity, in connection with a claim by a Hongkong company for a quantity of scrips in possession of the Bank of Communications.

Representing the Bank, Mr Chen asked the Court to act aside the action on the ground that it implied a foreign sovereign, the People's Republic of China, which he said claimed the scrips.

Plaintiffs are the Midland Investment Co. Ltd., of room 601 Pedder Building. They are represented by Mr John McNamara, Q.C., and Mr Leslie Wright, both instructed by Mr P.A.L. Vine, of Deacons.

Mr Chen and Mr Brock Bernacchi, instructed by Mr H. L. Kwan, of Ford, Kwan and Co., are representing the Bank of Communications, of Prince's Building.

Plaintiffs' claim is for delivery of 28 scrips in possession of the defendants, relating to 1,643 shares in the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., which plaintiffs claim are their property, or damages in lieu thereof.

Defendants filed a preliminary notice of motion, asking for an order that the writ be set aside on the ground that the Court had no jurisdiction to entertain the action because it implicated the sovereign state of China, and for an order that the share scrips, placed in the custody of the bank of the Supreme Court under an order dated September 1, 1955, be released to defendants.

Continuing his submissions regarding the plea of sovereign immunity, Mr Chen said that the Court would not imply a foreign sovereign and make him a party to legal proceedings.

Where a sovereign owned property, or had property in his possession with the title of ownership through himself or through an agent or officer, it must be the case if it was a republic—then the sovereign may have control of the property, whether or not he was in possession.



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Child Killed In Traffic Accident

Today's Police Reports

A four-year-old boy, Bin Tau, of 33A, Second Section, East Block, Chuk Yuen Re-Settlement Area, was killed in a traffic accident in Wong Tai Sin Main Street yesterday.

The child was being carried on his mother's back when the accident occurred. The mother was driving a motor cycle. The child was killed by a car.

A pedestrian sustained head injuries when he was knocked down by a motor cycle in Lai Chi Kok Road at 10.50 p.m. yesterday. The injured man, Chen Koon Lai, aged 30 of 10, Luen Hing Street, was removed to hospital, where he is now detained.

OLD MAN INJURED

A 75-year-old man was knocked down by a motor van in Castle Peak Road, near Camp Street, at 2.20 p.m. yesterday. The injured man, Chan Yi Ki, of Hut No. 819, Fuk Wah Street, sustained a fractured elbow and is now detained in hospital for treatment.

A taxi collided with an eight-year-old boy in Queen's Road East near Lee Tung Street at 8 p.m. yesterday. The boy, aged 8, of 32A, Ship Street, 2nd floor, sustained injuries as a result of the accident, which occurred in a very bad accident area. He was taken to hospital, where his wounds were treated but he was not detained.

CAR OVERTURNS

A private motor car overturned after colliding with a stationary vehicle in Shing Wo Road at 11.50 p.m. yesterday. Both vehicles were extensively damaged but no one was injured.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 9 p.m. Time Signal and Programme Summary: 9.30, Lucky Dip—Variety Requests presented by Margaret Studdart. 10.00, Student Guide—Interviews by Rita Mead (Recorded). 10.15, Time Signal. 10.30, The News (London Relay). 10.45, Election Results (Recorded). 11.00, The Urban Council (Recorded). 11.15, Mr. Hilson (Recorded). 11.30, The Picture—A panel of critics review picture plays. 11.45, The Picture—A panel of critics review picture plays. 12.00, The Picture—A panel of critics review picture plays.

NEAREST POSSIBLE

With the right distribution of microphones the proper balance and perspective is maintained and the music heard from the recording is the nearest you'll get to the ideal sound. That is the contention of the "Hi-Fi" fan in the group. The "live" enthusiasts point out that the microphones can never be so good as the ears of the listener. The fact that true hi-fi is the fact that you do not hear the coughs and shuffles, the sneezes and the other noises that are the inevitable accompaniment of the sound is pure. The recording should have a very balanced, after all, it's the music that counts.

ODDS AND ENDS

Some of the dubbing of voices I have ever seen makes Madame Butterfly a wonderful film. With a few exceptions, it is a lot of time perfecting the mounting of the film and the music. The music is the nearest you'll get to the ideal sound. That is the contention of the "Hi-Fi" fan in the group. The "live" enthusiasts point out that the microphones can never be so good as the ears of the listener. The fact that true hi-fi is the fact that you do not hear the coughs and shuffles, the sneezes and the other noises that are the inevitable accompaniment of the sound is pure. The recording should have a very balanced, after all, it's the music that counts.

REDEFINITION

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Weather Report, Announcements, and Musical Interludes: 7.30, The Hong Kong Budget—Extracts from the Annual Report. 7.45, The Urban Council (Recorded). 8.00, The Urban Council (Recorded). 8.15, The Urban Council (Recorded). 8.30, The Urban Council (Recorded). 8.45, The Urban Council (Recorded). 9.00, The Urban Council (Recorded). 9.15, The Urban Council (Recorded). 9.30, The Urban Council (Recorded). 9.45, The Urban Council (Recorded). 10.00, The Urban Council (Recorded). 10.15, The Urban Council (Recorded). 10.30, The Urban Council (Recorded). 10.45, The Urban Council (Recorded). 11.00, The Urban Council (Recorded). 11.15, The Urban Council (Recorded). 11.30, The Urban Council (Recorded). 11.45, The Urban Council (Recorded). 12.00, The Urban Council (Recorded). 12.15, The Urban Council (Recorded). 12.30, The Urban Council (Recorded). 12.45, The Urban Council (Recorded). 1.00, The Urban Council (Recorded). 1.15, The Urban Council (Recorded). 1.30, The Urban Council (Recorded). 1.45, The 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